

JRSO News

March/April 2021



So, this has been an unusual 12 months and unfortunately for you and your school friends, school and life in general has not been 'normal'.







As Road Safety Onicers, we have also been affected by this pandemic and like you, have been tied to our kitchen tables trying to continue our work. I am sure as Junior Road Safety Officers you have been frustrated that you have not been unable to follow up on the brilliant ideas and plans you were making.

But don't despair! There may still be time and opportunities to pass some important road safety messages or to get involved with some of the campaigns and upcoming events......even if we are still at home

Have a look in your handbook on our webpage https://sysrp.co.uk/junior_road_safety_officers/topics

to see what topic you would like to cover. April is all about playing out safely – so this may be a good topic to focus on??

But, feel free to choose your own, that you think will be useful for your school community.

Dates for your diary

19 – 30 April - Sustrans Big Pedal – cycle or scoot to school - https://bigpedal.org.uk/



17 - 23 May – UN Road Safety Week
Global Road Safety Week
https://www.unroadsafetyweek.org/en/

#SpeakUp to Save LIVES



1 - 6 June - Child Safety Week











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Safer places to play

Hopefully the weather is getting a bit warmer and the nights are lighter so we may be thinking of playing out after school or at the weekend, or while we are on school holidays.

It is so much fun to meet up with friends, going out to play or walking the dog!

But remember, we all still need to think about where we are playing and if we are safe.



Activity ideas for April

Assembly – if you haven't had chance to do an assembly (either virtual or in person), then now may be a good opportunity to do that, with a topic that everyone likes – playing out!

Notice Board – update your notice board with pictures and posters of safe places to play and unsafe places. Explain good examples and not good examples.

Get Creative – Use your local knowledge and put up a local map showing places where it is safe to play. Use photographs, symbols, and comment bubbles to make your map interesting and informative

Competition – ask children to design their 'perfect play area' – what would it have? What safety features will it have?

Quick Quiz

Can you answer these simple questions?

- o Is your garden a safe place to play?
- Is there a safe park that you could play in near to where you live?
- Should you always tell your grownups where you are?
- Should you ever play near the road?
- Why are balls dangerous near roads?
- What should you do if you see something unsafe?







